




## City of San Diego

### MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 16, 2012

TO: Council President Tony Young  
City Clerk Liz Maland

FROM: Councilmember Carl DeMaio 

RE: Continued Compliance with All Aspects of the Brown Act

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Multiple media outlets across the state have reported on the recent suspension of the Brown Act, the law which establishes public meeting law in California. Since 1952, this law has ensured openness and transparency for public meetings in our state. In addition, the state reimburses local governments for compliance with this law.

Unfortunately, the state budget adopted last month suspends reimbursements for posting public meeting agendas and the public disclosure of closed session decisions. Because of this, the state will pass along \$96 million in costs to local governments statewide.

However, I stand committed to open meetings and full transparency for the public. Regardless of state reimbursement, it is vital that public meetings in the City of San Diego remain fully open and accessible.

I respectfully ask that the City Clerk continue to work with the Council President's office and publicly post all agendas and meeting results without change.

cc: Honorable Members of the City Council